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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket No. 2400-563

First Inventor or Application Identifier

Ward et al.

Title

METHOD OF REMOTELY ACTUATING A MEMBRANE  
SWITCH BY ATTRACTIVE OR REPULSIVE MAGNETIC  
FORCE

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ \*Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 16]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title to the invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 7]
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)  
[Note Box 5 below]
  - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a  
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accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by  
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
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  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
  - b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
  - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9. ☒ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
14. ☐ \*Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior application,  
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
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16. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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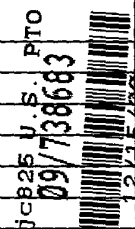
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Filing Date	12/12/2000
First Named Inventor	Ward et al.
Examiner Name	TBA
Group Art Unit	TBA
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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

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101	690	201	345	Utility filing fee	710.00
106	310	206	155	Design filing fee	
107	480	207	240	Plant filing fee	
108	760	208	380	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>					<b>(\$710.00)</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	24	-20** = 4	X 18.00 = 72.00
Independent Claims	4	-3** = 1	X 80.00 = 80.00
Multiple Dependent Claims			X =

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	39	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	260	204	130	Multiple dependent claim
109	78	209	39	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examination action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	380	216	190	Extension for reply within second month	
117	870	217	435	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,360	218	680	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,850	228	925	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	300	219	150	Notice of Appeal	
120	300	220	150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	260	221	130	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,210	241	605	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,210	242	605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	430	243	215	Design issue fee	
144	580	244	290	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	126	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt.	
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149	760	249	380	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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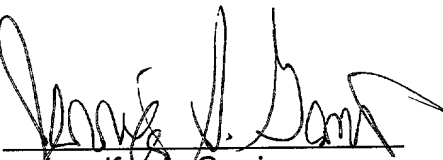
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